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NAIROBI FOR RCO, MONROVIA FOR ATO

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AFAC, SO, PINR

SUBJECT: SKYLINK INSTALLATION

- 1. EMBASSY COMMENTS REGARDING SKYLINK TERMINAL INSTALLA-TION APPRECIATED. INSTALLATION PLANS NOW BEING EXPEDITED TO PROVIDE EARLIEST POSSIBLE OPERATIONAL DATE. FIRM TIME ESTIMATE STILL BEING CALCULATED BASED ON FOLLOWING FACTORS A. EARLIEST AVAILABLE SHIPPING DATE FOR ALL HARDWARE IS MARCH 15.
- B. INSTALLATION NORMALLY REQUIRES 4-6 WEEKS FOLLOWED BY 2 WEEK TRAINING PERIOD.
- C. SHIPMENT OF SKYLINK TERMINAL AND INSTALLATION MATERIALS UTILIZE CONTAINERS LARGER THAN CAN BE ACCOMMOCONFIDENTIAL

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DATED BY COMMERCIAL AIRPLANES SERVING MOGADISCIO. SEA TRANSPORT MAY REQUIRE 5 MONTHS TRANSIT TIME; AND ADDTIONAL TIME MAY THEN BE REQUIRED TO OFF LOAD AND TRANSPORT THE MATERIALS TO THE EMBASSY. OTHER ALTERNATIVE MAY BE TO FLY INTO NAIROBI AND USE OVERLAND TRUCK FROM THERE. REQUEST POST ADVISE IF MAC FLIGHT IS YET FEASIBLE, AS ADDITIONAL ALTERNATIVE.

2. DEPARTMENT IS ALSO DESIROUS OF EARLY SKYLINK CAPABILITY AT MOGADISCIO AND WILL KEEP YOU ADVISED AS TO PROGRESS IN EXPEDITING VARIOUS PHASES INVOLVED. VANCE

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